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DAIRY INDUSTRY IN JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Farmers Finding Its Profitability, are Giving Their Attention to Cows.

Josephine county has two distinctions that have made it of interest to men prised on the dairy interest. One is the very large and profitable market for butter, cream and cheese and the steady increase that obtains in this trade and the certainty of its more rapid increase in the next few years. Such is the growing interest in dairying during the past two years that it is certain that Josephine county within the next five years will become quite as noted for its butter as it is now for gold mines, fruit, hops and hay.

The credit for the first creamery in Josephine county belongs to the Illinois Valley for one is now being built on the farm of Geo. S. Matheson near Sucker creek bridge six miles from Kerby and four miles from Holland. The ground and building is the property of Mr. Matheson, while the machinery is being put in by Carl Johnson. It is expected to have the creamery in operation by the first of March. Mr. Johnson is an expert butter maker from Sweden, a country that is famous for its fine butter, and he will devote his entire time to the work in their creamery. He has been a resident of the Illinois Valley for the past two years and he has proven himself to be a man of strict integrity and patrons of the creamery will be certain of fair and liberal treatment. Mr. Matheson is one of the big farmers and stock raisers of Sucker Creek Valley and he has been engaged in a small way in the dairy business for several years, and finding it profitable he now proposes to go into it on a large scale.

In order to insure a large number of choice cows in the herds of his vicinity Mr. Matheson recently went to Smith River and the other dairy districts of Del Norte county and bought 50 head of fine three-year-old heifers. These he sold at cost to his neighbors who are to be partners of their creamery. It is expected to have fully 200 head of cows in the creamery list by the first of April. Grants Pass will be the principal market for the butter and it is the expectation of Messrs. Matheson & Johnson to supply the trade with a butter that will be the equal of the best creamery butter that is to be had.

Illinois Valley is extremely well adapted to dairying as it has a large years. The other is the fine natural advantages as to feed, water and climate that give such advantages as will make the dairy industry a safe and profitable undertaking. Yet with all these favorable conditions for the cheap production of cream and butter and the high price that is readily obtained there is each year vast quantities of butter, cream and milk shipped into Josephine county. The Grants Pass market is largely supplied from the creameries and dairies of Jackson county, though much comes from the Willamette Valley and each summer vast quantities of ice cream is shipped to this city from Portland for the reason that the cream for its manufacture is so difficult to obtain and at prices that are very high, though ice is had here at Portland prices.

But this steady drain of money that goes out of Josephine county for dairy products is certain to be changed at no distant time to at least supplying the home demand with the products and the retention of the thousands of dollars that are lost each year to the wealth of the county. The continued low price of beef stock and the likelihood that the meat trust will be able to hold the prices down for an indefinite time is causing many of the stockmen to turn their attention to substituting milk cows for beef animals. The hay farmers, who have coined money in the years past, are finding over-production forcing prices below the point that makes it profitable to haul their hay to market and they are beginning to realize that it is more profitable to feed their hay to dairy cows. The disastrous times that have fallen on the hop growers, and the little likelihood of better prices now that the dealers have got hop gambling down to a system that gives them big profits and the growers a bare living, has taken the interest in that industry all out of the average Rogue River farmer. The hop grower is thus forced to take up an industry that will pay off his debts and give him and his family all the comforts of a modern farm home, area of land that is productive and the numerous streams render it possible to irrigate much of it. As it is from 20 to 50 miles to the nearest railroad point, which is at Grants Pass, it is quite impossible to market such bulky farm products as hay, grain, or potatoes, but a ton of butter will represent the same value as 50 to 100 tons of such products and thus out of the transportation to a rate that makes it profitable to haul the creamery products the long distance to market. Many of the farmers of this Valley have for the past years been engaged in dairying and making butter in a small way on their farms and having separators and giving careful attention to their work their butter has a good reputation in the markets of Grants Pass. They have been breeding up their cows and many of these farmers have stock that would compare well with

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It is the object of this Association to secure the co-operation of every stock raiser in Josephine county to work for their common interest. The loss of strays on the ranges and the expense of hunting them is a serious matter to all stockmen and the Association will this Spring get out a brand book, giving the name of every member of the Association, his post-office address, his brand and his range. This book, which has been arranged for at the Courier office, will be printed on a special kind of paper that will stand hard usage and will be bound in leather that will so protect it that it will stand to be carried in the pocket, when the owner is riding the range, and not go to pieces at the end of a week's use or when a little damp. The books will have an index page giving the brands and owner's names for quick reference when a stockman, on the range, sees an animal bearing a brand unknown to him. It is the plan to have the book so substantial that it will last for several years, and it will be so bound that additional pages can be inserted bearing brands of new members that may join the Association.

The Association will also work for the improvement of the breeds of cattle and horses in the county and through co-operation in buying and an exchange of breeding animals make it possible for stockmen, at a reasonable cost, to raise the standard of their herds to the more profitable breeds. The marketing of stock will also be a work of the Association, to be taken up at a future time. By pooling their beef stock, as is done by many stockmen in other sections, and by working under the system of selling that has proven so profitable to wool and mohair, fruit and other raisers, and grading and selling in large numbers it will be possible to realize better prices than is possible by each stockman marketing the best he can.

Stockraising is rapidly coming to be one of the leading industries of Josephine county and the formation of this Association will give an added impetus to the business. As a cattle district Rogue River Valley can not be excelled for the mild climate makes but little feeding during the winter months necessary and the Shikof, Cascade, Coast and Umpqua mountains that surround this valley on the four sides afford a summer range that enables beef stock to be put on the market in the Fall without any further feeding. Horse raising is equally profitable for the mines, timber and other industries make so much team work that draft horses are in big demand at high prices. For sheep and Angora goats Rogue River Valley has advantages that make their raising of great profit. The thousands of acres of oak and grass covered hills that are open to the public afford a range that is cheap and of the best quality. Scarcely any feeding is required during the winter and the mild climate precludes the loss in lambing season that is frequently a serious matter to stockmasters in less favored sections.

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Charles Dunford, operating the truck and express wagons in Jacksonville, came to Grants Pass on the Sunday night train to accompany his mother-in-law, Mrs. Louisa Trefner, to her home in this city. Mrs. Trefner had spent the past two months in Jacksonville with her daughters, Mrs. Dunford and Mrs. Thrasher. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss Viola Dunford, who will spend a week or two in Grants Pass.

Mr. Dunford stated that business in all lines was very good this winter in Jacksonville. The town is being greatly benefited by the revival of mining on Jackson creek and by the extensive mining industry in the Applegate Valley. At the Opp 1 1/2 miles west of Jacksonville, 60 men are now employed and it is expected that more will be put on in the Spring.

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Everything needed to furnish the home.

COUNTY ROAD WORK TO BE UNDER OLD SYSTEM

Grants Pass Not Helping—Josephine County Will Build No Macadamized Roads.

Creek county is the latest to join the good roads movement. The county court of that county at their recent session placed the road work of the county under the management of a road master. He is to be paid \$100 per month during the months of April, May, June, October and November. For such work as he may have to perform during the other months he will be paid \$4 per day. He will have charge of road work and bridge construction and will employ a crew of men to assist him.

Jackson county, which adopted the cash system, and employed a road master last year, got such satisfactory results that Jack True, the road master, was engaged again for this year. The salary will be \$1000 for the year, the same as it was for last year. The county owns a Buffalo Pitts steam roller, a Peall & Co. rock crusher and a complete road building plant. The steam roller also does duty as a traction engine to haul the crusher when moving and it does duty as a stationary engine to operate the rock crusher. A crew of men and teams are employed by the month during the road working season and they put in 10 hours a day. The crew has a complete camp outfit and a mess wagon and a cook and are at home wherever their work may be. This road crew is under the direct management of the road master and Road Master True is the expert in operating the roller, grader and other machinery and the men that do as much work in a day as does Mr. True fully earn their wages, for Mr. True is not a kid glove foreman. Road Master True's crew do all the principal road building in the county. Most of the repair and the work on the side roads is done by the nine supervisors yet retained by the county. Their work is all done under the direction of the county road master, the road tax in Jackson county was not increased for this year and last year when the new system was adopted the rate was raised but little above that in effect when all the road funds were expended by road supervisors, for so much more was accomplished for a given sum under the new system that more road work has been done and there was no need to materially raise the road tax levy.

A strong effort was made by the progressive element in Josephine county to have the county buy a road building plant and employ a crew of men to operate it and to put all the principal road work under the supervision of a county road master, but the county court at their recent session decided to continue for this year the old system. The road levy which last year was three mills was made only two mills this year, which will raise about the same amount of money by reason of the increased valuation made on the tax roll of 1905. As Grants Pass, with a valuation of \$1,250,000 out of a total of \$4,350,000 for the entire county, pays no road tax by reason of a clause in the charter which releases the city from paying county road tax, Judge Booth and Commissioners Lovelace and Logan think that it would not be just on the farmer, county merchant and other rural tax payer to make them carry the entire burden of the expense that would be necessary in taking up the work of macadamizing the road, so the county will merely confine its attention to keeping the road in repair and doing such permanent work as the limited road fund, which will amount to about \$8000, will permit of.

While it is generally conceded that the clause is unconstitutional in the Grants Pass charter that releases the city from county road tax, yet the county court did not feel disposed to go to the expense of testing the matter in the courts. An effort will be made to induce the city to have its charter amended at the next session of the legislature and have that unfair clause stricken out. The county court and all progressive citizens of both the county and the city, feel that Grants Pass is benefited quite as much as the other sections of Josephine county by the betterment of the roads. It would be quite as legal for Grants Pass, which pays a large city school tax, to have the charter further amended and evade the county school tax, and even go farther and out all the county and state taxes.

Announcement for Sheriff.
I take this opportunity to announce through the press to my friends in Josephine county and the republican party of said county that I am a candidate for the office of sheriff of said county. My name will be before the Primary nominating election April 30, 1906, as a candidate for nomination to the office of sheriff by said republican party.

J. P. MCCONNELL,
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1 lot 30x60 Rugs, regular \$1.50 and \$2.00
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DAIRY COMMISSIONER MAKES HIS REPORT

Oregon Dairy Industry Gaining—Josephine County to Have Creamery

The annual report of J. W. Bailey, state dairy and food commissioner, shows that dairying is fast becoming one of the leading industries of Oregon. Mr. Bailey estimates the amount of butter produced in Oregon during 1905 at 6,750,000 pounds, and the cheese produced at 2,750,000 pounds, an increase in both of from 20 to 25 per cent. The number of registered creameries has increased from 108 to 196, and the number of registered cheese factories from 64 to 79.

Only two creameries are reported from Rogue River Valley, one at Medford and one at Ashland and one is reported from Umpqua Valley, at Roseburg. Josephine county is down in the reports as one of the few counties of Oregon having no creamery, but this unprofitable condition is no longer to obtain, for by the middle of next month, the creamery that is being put in on Sucker creek, near Kerby by Matheson & Johnson, will be in operation. Mr. Bailey reports also that during the year 96 persons were prosecuted for violations of the pure food law, and that in each case where they stood trial convictions were secured, bringing in a revenue of \$1005 which has been added to the pure food fund. During the month of December there were seven convictions under the pure food law, the fines amounting to \$200. The articles that have been found more frequently adulterated are preserves, jam, milk, cream, ice cream, pickles, olive oil, shrimps, condensed milk, vinegar and jelly, butter and lard.

A. B. Cannon, Chicago, writes March 4, 1905: "Having been troubled with Lumbago, at different times and tried one physician after another, then different treatments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of sufferers." Sold by National Drug Store and by Rotermund.

ROSEBURG LAND OFFICE OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Entries and Final Proof Now Received—Land Laws to Be Strictly Enforced.

Register J. B. Eddy and Receiver J. M. Lawrence have both assumed their duties at the Roseburg land office and all entries and final proofs can now be made. It is given out that in the near future, as a result of the earnest representations of Senators Fulton and Gearin, that Secretary Hitchcock will order all lands in Oregon, withdrawn temporarily last year, to be again subject to entry. It is announced that the mineral lands to be the first to be released and that soon as some pending investigations can be made the homesteads and timber lands will be made subject to entry.

It is announced that hereafter homesteaders and timber entrymen will have to strictly conform to the law. Timber claimants will have to be able to swear that they have visited the land and positively know that it is the land they have filed on and that it is actually covered with merchantable timber, and homesteaders will have to make substantial improvements and do more than a couple of visits a year in the way of residing on their land.

Of Interest to Mothers.
Thousands of little ones die every year of croup. Most of them could have been saved by a few doses of Foley's Honey and Tar, and ever family with children should keep in the house. It contains no opiates and is safe and sure. Mrs. George H. Pickett, San Francisco, Cal., writes: "My baby had a dangerous attack of croup and we thought she would choke to death, but one dose of Foley's Honey and Tar relieved her at once after other remedies had failed. We are never a minute without it in the house." For sale by H. A. Rotermund.

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